

greater the number of areas available for exploration, the higher the chance of finding oil and natural gas traps. In other words, energy companies cannot be expected to drill on every acre of land every single day, and the Democrats know it.

Another myth: 4.8 million barrels of oil per day and 44.7 billion cubic feet of natural gas per day may be "extrapolated" from the oil companies' unused federally-leased lands. In fact, no Democrat, not Speaker PELOSI, Majority Leader HOYER, Democratic Caucus Chairman RAHM EMANUEL, and not Natural Resources Committee Chairman NICK RAHALL can explain where they got those figures. In fact, Democrats have refused to respond to a written request from Natural Resources Committee Republicans for this information. Did they just make it up?

Mr. Speaker, we know that what will help this problem and our country, the "Pelosi premium," which has driven up gas prices to over \$4 a gallon, is to increase the supply. We must increase the supply in order to meet the demand. The Democrats act as though they have repealed the law of supply and demand, the most basic law of economics. They can do a lot of things, Mr. Speaker, but they can't repeal the law of supply and demand. What they have to face up to is the fact that we need additional supply.

Republicans have offered common-sense solutions to this issue. We have many plans and many bills out there that would increase the supply and relieve the burden on working Americans. Democrats need to understand that. They need to stop trying to fool the American people with their hoaxes on use-it-or-lose-it, and help us put together a plan to bring greater supply to the American people and give them some relief.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentlewoman from California (Ms. WOOLSEY) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Ms. WOOLSEY addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

NAFTA AND ITS EFFECT ON THE AMERICAN ECONOMY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentlewoman from Ohio (Ms. KAPTUR) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, last Friday, Senator JOHN MCCAIN, campaigning for President in Canada, of all places, criticized opponents of NAFTA, the godfather of all troubled trade agreements. Incredibly, the Senator said, "Since NAFTA was concluded, it has contributed to strong job growth and flourishing trade." He didn't say where. He then said, "Since the agreement was signed, the U.S. has added 25 million jobs and Canada more than 4 million."

Wherever is he getting his data? Most Americans know this so-called free trade agreement is anything but free. We know it has created huge job losses and trade deficits, and we know the harm it has caused in this country and across our continent.

NAFTA has created a gaping net hemorrhage of jobs, lost jobs and wealth for our country. I beg Senator MCCAIN to look at the discipline of the numbers. Look at the trade accounts. They don't lie.

Since NAFTA's passage in 1993, our country has suffered \$1 trillion of NAFTA trade loss, amassing a huge deficit with both Mexico and Canada. The figures get worse every single year. NAFTA has not only cost our country over 1 million lost jobs, we would have added even more economic growth and jobs if we had not allowed all these jobs and production lines to be outsourced.

Robert Scott of the Economic Policy Institute points out that "growing trade deficits with Mexico and Canada have pushed more than 1 million U.S. workers out of higher wage jobs and into lower wage positions in non-trade related industries. Thus, the displacement of 1 million jobs from traded to non-traded goods industries reduced wage payments to U.S. workers by \$7.6 billion in 2004 alone." Those are staggering figures.

That loss packs a wallop by any measure. I will place in the RECORD a list of just some of the factories that have outsourced production and relocated to Mexico. They go from A to Z: Allied Signal, Amana, Maytag, you can go all the way down the list, Medtronics, Stanley Works, Zenith. I will place the entire list in the RECORD.

Now, it is interesting where Senator MCCAIN was making his speech. He had not just outsourced himself to Canada to make the speech, he spoke before the Economic Club of Canada, a business organization whose membership cheered his remarks. And they should. They alone have made out handsomely under this lopsided trade agreement.

Listen to what the leader of the New Democratic Party in Canada, Parliamentarian Jack Layton, has to say about what is going on in Canada. In a recent letter to Senator OBAMA, Leader Layton stated clearly: "Despite the fact that most Canadians are working longer hours, 80 percent of families have lost ground or stagnated in both earnings and after tax returns compared to the previous generation. Real wages have not increased in Canada for more than 30 years. Yet the share of corporate profits in our Canadian economy is at its highest point since 1961."

Thoughtful leaders in Canada disagree with Senator MCCAIN. They know the income washout that can come from ill-cast trade agreements. He should pay attention to their views.

Before NAFTA, the United States had a trade surplus with Mexico of over \$1 billion a year. Jobs were increasing in our country. Today, since NAFTA's

passage, the U.S. has racked up an astounding \$452.3 billion deficit with Mexico and an even larger \$606 billion trade deficit with Canada. At a minimum, our Nation should seek balance and reciprocity, not deficits with these nations.

In Mexico, its civil society has been pleading with us to correct the abuses of NAFTA. Former Mexican Parliamentarian Victor Suarez pleads, "We want good trade, not free trade." He should know well. The Mexican countryside has been devastated as the result of NAFTA as over 2 million poor farm families have been thrown off their land, uprooted in the most cruel of ways. A visible sign of their plight here is their illegal immigration to our Nation out of sheer desperation.

A group of farmers in Mexico calling themselves "The Countryside Can't Take It Anymore" literally rode their horses down to the Mexican Parliament to draw attention to the washout of livelihoods of their country men and women.

When NAFTA was first debated, many Members here tried to amend the agreement to avoid these negative consequences on people and communities. Senator MCCAIN didn't lift a finger to help. Senator OBAMA was not a Senator then.

America should advance trade agreements that produce jobs, balances and surplus, not deficits. Deficits are not good, in your checkbook or in America's accounts. Trade should lift all boats, not create a race to the bottom. Good trade means fair trade for all, not "gotcha" trade. Good trade means good jobs, living wages, the right to bargain the worth of your labor by contract, a sustainable environment, and sovereign food rights for all people.

For a rich Nation like America, I think good trade also means a conscience for the poorest people on this continent, not exploitation. NAFTA has produced none of this. It has produced negatives. It is time America voted for positives.

A Mexican worker observed to me, on one of my several trips there, that their futures were put at even more risk as these global companies work them for pennies an hour, always threatening to move elsewhere. The worker said to me: "Poor countries are like crabs in a bucket. Every time one country starts to climb up out of the bucket, another one pulls it back down."

NAFTA has produced none of this. It has produced negatives for the vast majority, and vast wealth for a few.

For Senator MCCAIN and any others who do not know which outsourced firms have contributed to America's growing trade deficits on this continent with accompanying job and benefit losses, let me place them in the RECORD:

COMPANIES RELOCATED TO MEXICO SINCE NAFTA

20th Century Plastics; 3 Day Blinds; AalFs Manufacturing; Acer Peripherals; Advance Transformer; Alcoa Fujikura; Allied Signal; Amana; American Olean Tile; American Standard; Ametek; AMP; Amphenol; Anchor Glass Container; Anvil Knitwear; Autoliv